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Reply Non-responsive

The reply filed on 1/13/03 is not fully responsive to the prior office action because of the omissions and/or other matters pointed out herein below. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given one (1) month or thirty (30) days from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omissions or make corrections in order to avoid abandonment. (Extensions of this time period may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).)

Defective Amendments

This case is a reissue application of Patent 5,916,127, and a first Office action on the reissue application was mailed on 7/8/02. An Amendment And Response To The Office Action was then filed 1/13/03, but that document is not in full compliance with 37 CFR 1.173. Claims 5 and 6, for example, include instances of language differing from that in the '127 Patent but not underlined and/or bracketed as required by § 1.173 (d). In both of claims 5 and 6, "heating" has been replaced with --control-- but the required underlining and bracketing has been completely omitted.


The reply of 1/13/03 also includes a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.173(b). This document is intended to correct errors (failure to use

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underlining and bracketing) in the original Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.173(b) filed with the application. While the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment does correct errors in claims 1 and 11 pointed out in the first Office action, at least one further error was overlooked. In Claim 9, line 1 was amended by the addition of the expression --first stream-- but the required underlining was omitted; this error must also be corrected.

Applicant is advised that the above cited errors in the original amendment and the amendments filed 1/13/03 are merely exemplary and not exhaustive. It is applicant's responsibility to completely review all amendments and make appropriate corrections in all instances in which amendments to the '127 Patent are not properly identified with underlining and/or bracketing.

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